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AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, KU

SUBJECT: LOCKHEED CONSTELLATION N-11SR

REF: A. KUWAIT 1458; B. KUWAIT 1924

1. DEPT HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY DUNCAN BAKER PILOT OF PLANE ON FLIGHT INTO KUWAIT AIRPORT. ACCORDING TO BAKER, PLANE WAS IMPOUNDED BY KUWAIT AIRWAY CORPORATION (KAC) DUE TO LANDING WITHOUT PROPER APPROVAL AND CARRYING CARGO WITHOUT ACCEPTABLE CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN. FINES LEVIED WERE APPROXIMATELY 7000 DOLLARS FOR LANDING WITHOUT APPROVAL AND 25,000 DOLLARS PUNITIVE DUTY ON CARGO. WHEN CONSIGNEE (EL SAHABIR TRADING CO.) REFUSED TO PAY DUTY ON CARGO, PM WAS MADE RESPONSIBLE FOR FULL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CHARGES.

2. BAKER MAINTAINS THAT HE DID HAVE FULL CLEARANCES AND PERMISSION TO LAND PRIOR TO TRAVEL BUT THAT KUWAITIS DID NOT ACCEPT DOCUMENTATION HE HAD AVAILABLE. BAKER SAYS THAT HE WAS APPROACHED BY PM LEASING TO FLY THE PLANE OUT ILLEGALLY, BUT DECLINED TO DO SO. WHILE HE

IS NOT AN OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF PM LEASING, HE SAYS THAT THEY WILL BE WILLING TO REMOVE PLANE ONLY IF THE PENALTIES AND FINES ARE WAIVED. PLANE HAS ZERO VALUE TO PM (COST WHEN MANUFACTURED IN 1955 WAS 2.2 MILLION DOLLARS), AND BAKER MAINTAINS IT IS TO BE DONATED TO MUSEUM IN UK IF REMOVED. REMOVAL OF PLANE WOULD TAKE APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH SINCE MAINTENANCE WOULD BE NECESSARY IF PLANE COULD BE MADE AIRWORTHY AT ALL.

FOR LONDON: BAKER GAVE NAMES OF TWO PM LEASING REPS WHICH MAY BE CONTACTED REGARDING COMPANY INTENTIONS FOR PLANE. THEY ARE: DAVID LYONS (COMPANY LEGAL ADVISOR) TEL. JERSEY CENTRAL (0534) 275-21, AND FRED ADAIR (COMPANY PRESIDENT) TEL. LONDON 01-493-2258. REQUEST EMBASSY ATTEMPT TO CONTACT COMPANY REPS AND PER REF B., URGE THAT PM OFFICIALS CONTACT KUWAITIS DIRECTLY TO RESOLVE MATTER.

FOR KUWAIT: IF PM CANNOT BE CONTACTED OR IF OFFICIALS INDICATE NO WILLINGNESS TO REMOVE PLANE OR WORK WITH KUWAITIS TO DO SO, DEPT AND FAA CONCUR WITH PROPOSALS REF A BUT SUGGEST THAT QUOTE DEPT., UNQUOTE BE SUBSTITUTED FOR EMBASSY AND WORDING NOT SUGGEST SALE OR DESTRUCTION OF AIRCRAFT, BUT LEAVE DISPOSITION DECISION TO GOK.
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